





## TO ADVERTISERS.

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## TO AGENTS.

Settlements of accounts will be required monthly, or the supply of papers will be discontinued. The daily and weekly issues will be furnished at the lowest cash rates and no acceptance will in future be made to this rule.

## The Municipal By-Law.

Our city fathers are at last going about their affairs in a business-like way, and are setting seriously to work on the necessary improvements which have lain so long in abeyance. The original cause of the delay in our municipal progress arose from the absolute or imaginary defects in the Act of Incorporation of 1861, and although measures were introduced to provide a temporary remedy for these defects, ratepayers always regarded the collection of city dues with suspicion—a feeling that we are happy to say will no longer exist, as the statutes will be placed beyond cavil, and the proper authority conveyed to our city officers for the enforcement of the By-laws where necessary. We do not, however, look for any opposition to the rates levied for municipal requirements, since they will be expended for the benefit of all. In the first place, there is no disguising the fact that cholera, the fell destroyer, is making rapid strides towards us; he is already hurrying numbers of the Central American people to their last account, and we may expect him here ere long. We all know in what a wretched state of filth many of the streets and gutters are, in the most thickly populated portions of the city, to say nothing of the condition of our suburbs. To allow these sources of infection to remain till the warm weather sets in would be an absolute invitation to this most dreadful of epidemics. We need hardly say, then, that the prompt payment of the rates levied in accordance with the By-law will enable our worthy Mayor and Councillors to take immediate steps to remove all causes of atmospheric impurity, so as to mitigate, as far as may be, any aid to the continuance of the plague. But there is another reason why our citizens should come cheerfully forward to assist with their contributions in the good work. The site occupied by Victoria is one of the prettiest and most easily rendered ornamental on the Pacific coast. If the streets were well paved and lighted with gas, we should be far in advance of our neighbors, and could make this place what it should be—the great centre of attraction both for the transaction of business and as a place of residence. Of course, property owners will be largely benefited by the improvements, and our industrial population by the improved health and general prosperity. The rates charged are, on the whole, moderate, and, being paid quarterly, will not involve any serious outlay at one time. The various amounts imposed, as stated in the By-law, are in each case the maximum; so that it is very likely a modification of some of them may be effected. The rate on real estate is, we think, extremely moderate (one quarter cent. on the dollar), and considering the advantages to flow from its application, the best investment that could be made. The three per cent. on the rental looms large, although it is not so great as one would at first suppose; for instance, the annual contribution on a rental of \$30 per month, will only amount to \$10 80 or \$2 70 per quarter. But it is very probable that even this amount may not be exacted; or if it is, in the present hour of need, it will doubtless be reduced as soon as prudence will allow. It must not be forgotten, however, that in improving the sanitary condition of the city, we are taking the surest means for self-preservation. The amount to be collected for our fire companies is 1 per cent. on insurances. This will be added to the premiums, and while it will be an additional guarantee for the safety of the property, its enforcement will be rather burdensome. As far as the application goes, however, we are quite sure that few will grudge the aid thus extended to the most valuable and deserving institution we have, and that has earned for itself a reputation that renders further discussion unnecessary. It is very likely that when a correct estimate of the proceeds of this tax can be formed, a smaller percentage will meet the requirements. We have omitted to mention that the rate charged on real estate is on the assessment of 1866. We must also bear in mind, that the whole of the rates are to be applied directly to the improvements of the City, in which we are each immediately concerned. We cannot, therefore, be otherwise than glad that the means will soon be forthcoming for so excellent a purpose.

**RIFLE VOLUNTEERS**—Drill for No. 1 Company, as usual, on Monday evening, at 8, at James Bay; Position Drill will commence on Friday, 1st March, at 8 p.m., at James Bay, and be continued every Monday and Friday during the month. Compulsory drills annual on the first Monday of the month—to the 1st of March, No. 1 Co. day after.

## By Electric Telegraph

## SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST

## LAST NIGHT'S DESPATCHES.

## Legislative Proceedings.

## THE GOVERNOR WANTS \$701,000!

## THE CAPITAL PETITIONS!

New Westminster, February 13—Council sat to-day. Time occupied in committee on bills.

The Colonial Secretary laid the Estimates on the table. The total asked for is seven hundred and one thousand dollars, interest and temporary loan absorbing two hundred and twelve thousand.

The Estimates were not read, but will be printed to-morrow and considered on Friday. The Oaths and Evidence Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Sheriff's Law Bill passed through committee; also, Indian Liquor Bill.

The Constitution question will come up to-morrow.

The Governor assented to the Indemnity and Victoria Incorporation Ordinances.

Barnard and Smith presented on Tuesday a petition to the Governor from traders and packers in Yale district, praying for the abolition of Road Tolls. Reply to the effect that they would be continued the present year.

Walkem, to-day, presented petitions from Cariboo and the lower country on the Capital question. No response elicited from the Governor.

## Miscellaneous.

The Indians on the mainland and Island are summoned to a great war-waw at Government House on Monday.

The Hope leaves for Yale to-morrow. Weather fine. Nothing down river. The Leviathan has returned from Nanaimo; the Magistrate is too ill to attend Council.

## Eastern States.

CHICAGO, Feb. 10—Banks made a speech of an hour and forty minutes yesterday, in which he submitted a plan of reconstruction, to be applied first to Louisiana and subsequently to other States, by a commission appointed to investigate new state governments.

Buttwell, of Massachusetts, followed in an exciting speech, demanding that Congress should no longer delay the work of reconstruction, and declaring that the President has the interest of the rebellion, and the great obstacle to the restoration of the Union.

Raymond and other members tried to get a hint from Buttwell concerning the progress of the impeachment inquiry. None of them succeeded.

Buttwell charged that the acts of wrong and oppression were instigated by the President. The remarks caused much sensation. Raymond conveyed the idea cautiously but unmistakably that the President was about to abandon his hostile attitude, and make a long advance for the sake of harmony of Congress and the country.

Bancroft has been appointed collector of the port of Boston.

New York, Feb. 11—Thunderbolts of blinding vividness burst from the clouds last night, while rain was pouring down in torrents; the darkness was so great as to make it impossible to see across the streets, and church spires and buildings were for an instant rendered plainly visible by the glare.

This was followed by a heavy shock of thunder which seemingly made the earth rock as if shaken by an earthquake.

New York, Feb. 9—The steamer Ocean Queen, with San Francisco dates to Jan. 18th, has arrived. She brought \$788,000 in treasure.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8—The Senate increased the pay of the District Judge of California to \$5000, and the District Judges of Oregon and Nevada, to each, \$4500.

Mr. Conness moved that the Secretary of War be directed to cause a survey of the Rocky Mountains and the Sierra Nevada Mountains, for a new route to the Pacific.

New York, Feb. 8—A large delegation is at Washington, request the passage of the Pacific Railroad Bill.

New York, Feb. 8—Detective Baker was before the Judiciary Committee yesterday. It is stated, on high authority, that he testified that he was in possession of a letter, written by President Johnson, when Military Governor of Tennessee, to Jeff Davis, offering to identify himself and Tennessee with the Confederacy, on certain terms. Being doubtful of the signature, Baker showed it to the President's Private Secretary, who positively identified the handwriting.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8—The President recognizes it as the obligation of his oath to submit to trial for impeachment; but he will resist suspension to the uttermost power of the Courts.

New York, Feb. 8—The New York Legislature has passed a joint resolution instructing the delegates in Congress to advocate the bill granting national aid to the Northern Pacific Railroad, connecting Lake Superior with Puget Sound.

## Mexico.

Advices from Mexico, Feb. 2nd, discredit the report that Canales was shot.

## California.

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Gold closed in New York last night at 137 3/4; Sterling Exchange, 108 1/2.

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The mail steamer Active was advertised to sail from San Francisco for this port on Saturday, 16th instant.

A battle was fought at Jalapa, in which the French were victorious. Ortega will be tried by court-martial.

## European.

LONDON, February 8—The trial of Governor Eyre of Jamaica has commenced.

Dargun, the Railroad King, who failed with heavy liabilities, is dead.

The Greek Government has sent a note to foreign powers declaring that war is at hand. They desire peace, but deem it proper to propose an increase of the army and navy.

Advices from the Greek frontier represent things to be in such a threatening condition that Turkish families are fleeing from the country.

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## DELAYED DISPATCHES.

## Europe.

BERLIN, Jan. 27—Austria has made overtures to the Swiss authorities with a view to negotiating a commercial treaty.

LONDON, Jan. 26—The Times' Washington correspondent writes that the President, with the President, the latter strongly justified himself on the subject of reconstruction, and violently assailed Congress, accusing it of usurpation of the Executive and Judicial powers.

General Dix is urging the French government to abolish the searching of travelers' baggage in view of the coming exposition. It is understood that a reply favorable to the request will be received.

The Hungarian Ministry has been formed.

The South German States have proposed a military union with the northern States.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 27—Advices from Beijing's Straits announce the completion of the surveys of the American portion of the Russian-American Telegraph. The Straits have been surveyed for the cable. It is expected that the Russian portion of the work will be finished next August.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 27—A U. S. ship has left 13 prisoners to take Cretan justice from Greece.

LONDON, Jan. 23—The short time movement of the Manchester manufacturers is extending.

It is reported that Prussia has asked Austria why the troops of the latter were being concentrated at Galicia.

It is reported that a new frontier will be made between Austria and Italy.

It is announced officially to-day that the British Government has accepted the plan submitted by the provisional delegates for a union of the American provinces.

Advices from Paris state that France is disgusted with the new programme adopted by the Emperor Napoleon.

LONDON, January 25—Quite formidable bread riots have occurred at Greenwich.

PARIS, Jan. 24—The French, Russian, and Prussian governments have resolved to negotiate in common with the Porte on the Eastern question.

BERLIN, Jan. 25—The German Confederation has agreed to the scheme of Prussia.

PARIS, Jan. 25—The duties have been formally annexed to the German Confederation. The German Diet is to meet for the first time on the 24th of February. Count Bismarck declines a seat in the Diet.

## Central and South America.

NEW YORK, January 31—The steamer Henry Clay, from Aspinwall, has arrived.

The difficulty between Mosquera and Minister Burton was probably settled by a apology from the former.

Dr. Hine, American Consul at Costa Rica, died at San Jose January 8th.

Davidson's Engineers, who are to survey the latitudes for the ship canal, were at Burma preparing to start for Darien.

The demand for breadstuffs is active without any advance in prices.

Suitable tonnage freights for Europe are in demand, and the rate is firm at 8 per cent, payable at Lima annually, which may be extended for Prussian Extension stock.

Advices from Valparaiso say that the allied fleets were there. It was rumored that the Spanish Admiral would proceed with all his ships to the Falkland Islands. It was also reported that Spain would establish a naval station at Montevideo.

The Brazilian army had gained an advantage over a column of six thousand Paraguayans.

The revolution at Mendoza had not extended to any other part of the Argentine Republic.

The Herald's Santiago, Chili, correspondent of January 21, says foreign mediation between the allied Republics and Spain has been definitely rejected. A rigorous prosecution on the part of the United States was looked forward to amicably. It was believed that a proposition for adjustment from that quarter would be accepted. The Chilean Government had received reliable information that Spain was making every preparation for war, and would reinforce her naval division of Rio Janeiro, and Valparaiso, thus rapidly becoming impregnable, and the allied fleet was being made ready for an expedition.

The Mendoza revolution had assumed alarming proportions, and the revolutionary forces, it was thought, would succeed. In that case an uprising will probably take place, and the war of the triple alliance against Paraguay could be ingloriously ended.

Nothing had been heard of the United States steamer Lancaster, reported to have foundered off Cape Horn. The mail steamer from Rio brings news that the Emperor of Brazil had resolved to increase his army and navy in the war against Paraguay.

**Mexico.**

NEW ORLEANS, January 25—The Matamoreno Ranchero says a new and great movement for the reformation of the Roman Church has been inaugurated through Mexico, by Raul Diaz Martinez, who has been elected Bishop. The object of the new

movement is to break off from the old church, because through the Bonish influence the interference of the French was invoked to deluge the Republic with blood.

The Rev. Father Hernandez was captured and shot by the Imperialists, after suffering unheard of atrocities.

Escobedo arrived at San Luis, with twenty thousand Liberals, and captured the place.

Sierra Gorda pronounces for the Republic.

Meja has sought the protection of Mexico. Eighteen thousand Liberals surrounded Cuernavaca and Mexico, under Alvarez.

NEW ORLEANS, January 20—The frigate Racoon left Vera Cruz on the 21st with 1200 Austrian troops. The evacuation of Mexico was to be commenced yesterday.

## Eastern States.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26—The reporter of the St. Louis Democrat has arrived, in answer to a summons of the Congressional Committee appointed to inquire into the riot at New Orleans.

It is prepared to give his evidence relative to the President's speech at St. Louis, charging the responsibility of the New Orleans riot on Congress; and also to report as to his exact language, when he said he would kick out of office those who would not support his policy. The reporter has a photographic report of the speech.

In the House to-day, Stevens moved the following: Whereas it is beneath the dignity and contrary to the justice of the nation to be represented at any court where Government officers are tried, and whereas the citizens within its jurisdiction, they professing the Protestant religion; and whereas the Roman Government recently ordered American churches to be moved beyond the limits of the city, and does prohibit the free exercise by them of the Christian religion; therefore be it enacted that no money hereby appropriated shall be paid for the support of a legation at Rome, or for the future expenses of any such legation.

It is officially reported that the fugitives throughout Florida are renewing their conquests in large numbers.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28—The Herald's special says that Bowser's report is in revolt. Captain Trimble, late of an Illinois regiment, a planter there, was recently shot and badly wounded, and his life threatened. He came to New Orleans and returned with twenty cavaliers to remove his family, when he found that his wife and child had been driven from home into Arkansas. The negroes on the place was manacled and driven through the streets in the presence of the cavalry, who were forced to fall back before three hours' unobstructed retreat.

The Herald's correspondence from the principal cities of the South indicates a general reaction of political sentiment among the Southern people.

From Nashville there are indications that no election for Representatives will be held in time for the Fortieth Congress. Brownlow will wait until August before ordering an election, losing if necessary, all representation in the first session, so that he may take advantage of the colored vote, which seems certain to be legalized in Tennessee in the coming spring.

The Judiciary Committee are investigating the apprentices system under the law of Maryland, and find that courts in some sections seem to be discreet in observing the Civil Rights Bill.

The Times' Washington special says:—The House Judiciary Committee have become satisfied from the testimony already adduced, including that of General Butler, that there is solid ground to warrant articles of impeachment against the President. This is based on testimony yet unreported on behalf of the President, and when that is offered it may materially change the minds of the committee.

The Tribune says: Mr. Ashley is very busy working up the impeachment matter. He has just come in possession of very important facts, which are exceedingly damaging to the President. The Judiciary Committee will not begin active operations until Mr. Ashley makes his case. They expect important facts from Sumner, implicating Davis in the assassination of President Lincoln.

The New Orleans Riot Committee have made a report; no mitigation has been found for the hostile and disloyal character recently attributed to that section.

The unconditional Union men of East Tennessee at a recent meeting endorsed the action of Gov. Brownlow, and instructed delegates to vote for his re-nomination in the State Convention on the 22nd of February.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5—The Times' special says the following is the amendment to the Constitution proposed by the President: Art. 14, Sec. 1—No State has a right to secede, nor the Federal Government a right to reject a State, or deprive it from representation in Congress.

Sec. 2—The United States debt shall be held sacred and inviolate. The rebel debt shall never be paid by the nation nor by any State.

Sec. 3—All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to its jurisdiction, shall be citizens, and shall have the same rights and immunities as citizens of all the States. The enjoyment of life, liberty and property are guaranteed.

Sec. 4—Representation shall be based on numbers—counting all persons (except Indians not taxed); but when a State excludes any of its population on account of race or color from voting, then the excluded shall not be counted in the basis of representation.

The following is proposed to be inserted in the Constitution of each State: Every male citizen, having resided in the State one year, and six months preceding election, and who can read the Declaration of Independence, and the Constitution of the United States, in the English language, and owns \$250 worth of taxable property, shall be entitled to vote; provided that no person who has heretofore voted shall be excluded from voting.

Dr. MAGGIE'S FOUND OF A NEW MEDICINE—The Maggias, whose vast internal doses produce the stomach and paralyze the bowels, must give evidence to the man who restores health and appetite, with from one to two of his extraordinary pills, and the most virulent cases with a box or two of his wonderful and healing Salve. These two great specifics of the doctor are fast superseding all the celebrated nostrums of the day. Extraordinary cures by Maggias's Pills and Salve have been effected in the most obstinate cases of the (so-called) remittent fever, and upon which people have long blindly depended. Maggias's Pills are the best of their kind, and are sold by all druggists, and every box full taken cures an absolute necessity for another. One or two of Maggias's Pills should be taken three or four times a day, after meals, to create an appetite, and render the stomach light and buoyant. There is no purgative, and no harm from the form of action. 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Mr SHEEPHANKS' LECTURE ON MORMONISM.—The lecture by Rev Mr Sheephanks at the Boys' Collegiate School, on Tuesday evening, was not so numerously attended as the subject and the acknowledged ability of the lecturer deserved. The hall was, however, comfortably filled, and the audience—a large proportion of which was ladies—listened with great apparent interest to the fund of incidents, anecdotes, and dry facts with which the discourse abounded. Mr Sheephanks' style of delivery is easy and conversational, but he lacks that energy and rapidity of utterance which distinguish most of our successful lecturers. The discourse was divided into several heads, each of which was ably handled and frequently applauded. The journey to Salt Lake City was described with much effect, and the sights that he witnessed and things that he heard while enjoining among the strange community were narrated. Among other things, Mr Sheephanks told how he had held service in the Mormon Church (or Bowery) before three thousand people, many of them his own countrymen. The subject of polygamy was delicately handled by the lecturer, who said that Brigham Young had about twenty-six wives, and most of the elders more than one; and sometimes a "baker's dozen" of help-meets; it was no unusual thing to hear of a Mormon marrying two sisters, and it frequently occurred that a man would marry a mother and her daughter at the same time. In conversation with Brigham Young, that dignitary told him that his strange community had seriously thought at one time of settling in Vancouver Island; but as the proposition was discouraged by the British Government it was not pressed. We regret that we have not room for an extended notice of this interesting lecture.

A BISHOP AND A RECTOR IN CONFLICT.—Bishop Colenso has been making a visitation to the coast of Africa, preaching in the churches to large congregations, and making himself acquainted with the people. He preached in the three churches of Durban without any interruption whatever; but at Verulam, a small town about 20 miles from Durban, there was a scene. The rector had the altar furniture removed, leaving within the rails (says the Natal Mercury) nothing but a deal table, a soap box and one chair in which he had seated himself, having first had the entrance within the rails fastened up by a bar of wood. The Bishop removed the bar, went in and sat down on the box, but a chair was afterwards brought. The incumbent beginning to read an address or protest, Dr. Blaine, resident magistrate and churchwarden, said, "Sir, we are here for Divine service, and this is out of order altogether." The reverend gentleman, however, concluded his address, but made no further opposition remaining in his seat and taking no part in the service. At other places the bishop appears to have been well received.

NANAIMO ITEMS.—We have the Gazette, of February 9th: A Chinaman, cast away on an island, near Nanaimo, was rescued the other day by Indians, after having subsisted for twenty three days on snow! When found, he was quite fat and hearty, when his low diet is considered. The amateur performance netted \$80.00. The bark Amethyst is on the way from San Francisco to load with coal. The proprietors of the Cornish Farm, near Nanaimo, have been fined \$23 and costs for removing a fence erected by another farmer, named Westwood. It appears that the Cornishman believed that the fence obstructed a public road, and undertook to remove it.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.—A meeting of this Association was held at the Boomers yesterday, and it was resolved that a performance should be given at the theatre, on Friday, the 22nd inst., in aid of the funds of the Club. When it is considered that all the performances of this association hitherto have been for the benefit of useful and charitable institutions, we feel assured that the public will give our Amateur Dramatists a bumper to assist in replenishing their wardrobe &c. It is said that a favorite amateur lately released from the trammels of public office, will make his reappearance on this occasion.

NARROW ESCAPE.—A woman engaged in washing a window of a cottage on the Esquimalt road, yesterday afternoon, narrowly escaped death. She was called from her work by a Chinese pedlar, and while conversing with him, was again attracted to the window by a sound of breaking glass, when she found that a conical fire ball had passed through and shattered one of the panes, and buried itself in a door frame at the opposite side of the room. The ball was apparently fired from a neighboring clump of bushes.

A "SYMPATHIZER," from the American side, has left a twenty-dollar gold piece at this office for Mr. Perkins, the unfortunate collier who lost his sight by premature explosion. We hope that everybody will assist the poor man to the extent of his means. One acknowledgment will be given through our columns for contributions left with us in aid of this most worthy object of charity. "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord."

THE DEATH of a remarkable rabbi of the Jewish Church of Germany is announced. Mr. Frank was a native of Wilna, born in the year 1759, so that he had attained his 108th year. At that advanced period of life he was without any of the infirmities of old age; his hearing was perfect, he read without spectacles, and took long walks up to the last week of his life.

THE MAIL SLOOP MYSTERY arrived in port at 9 o'clock on Tuesday night, and returned to the Sound with a mail at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

LAST CHANCE.—The entire stock of Brun's fine clothing, hats, caps and gentlemen's furnishings goods, must be sold within two weeks. In order to give the citizens a chance to purchase, sovereigns will be accepted at \$5 and greenbacks at San Francisco current rates. Yates Street, opposite the Bank of British North America.

THE THEATRE will be opened by Messrs. Marsh, Lafont and others, this evening, and will continue open on Friday and Saturday evening. The admittance will be fixed at 50 and 25 cents. The favorite Jenny Arnott will appear, and a most attractive bill has been prepared.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Otter, Capt. Lewis, sailed yesterday morning for the temporary abiding place of the Government. Among the passengers were Messrs. Stamp, DeCosmos, Helmcken, Pemberton and Mr. McCreight.

SALE OF SUGAR AND COFFEE.—The entire invoice of sugar and coffee was sold yesterday, by Mr. McCrea, at auction. The sugar, comprising 1000 kegs, brought from \$6.05 to \$6.70 for No. 1, and \$5.50 to \$6.25 for No. 2. The coffee brought 20c to 20½c.

THE PILEY FAMILY delighted a numerous audience at the New Concert Room, on Tuesday evening. The little ladies are talented and accomplished, and the entertainment is conducted in an unexceptionable manner.

FOR AUSTRALIA.—Mr. Geo. E. Nias, for many years connected with the press of this Colony, leaves to-day for Australia via the Sound, with a view to a permanent settlement there.

MRS. D'ORMY'S CONCERT, last evening was an entire success. The performers, both instrumental and vocal, excelled themselves, and the audience never sang with more spirit or better taste.

LAVELY.—The U. S. Revenue Cutter Lincoln, from Puget Sound; the steamer Diana, from San Juan Island, and the steamer Isabel, from Nanaimo, entered the harbor in company yesterday.

RIFLE CORPS.—The corps will have a march out—the first of the season—on Monday evening next, at 7.30, from the James Bay barracks.

TOWED DOWN.—The steamer Isabel yesterday towed down the ship Reverse, laden with 700 tons of coal, for San Francisco.

The U. S. Revenue Cutter Lincoln will coal here and leave to-day for Portland, Columbia River.

There were no cases before the Police Magistrate yesterday.

The Fidelity carried 15 passengers for Portland yesterday.

A BILL  
Enacted an Ordinance to confirm certain acts done by Officers in Vancouver Island since the Union.

WHEREAS heretofore and before the Union of the two Colonies of British Columbia and Vancouver Island, certain Public Officers of the said Colony of Vancouver Island were by Statute Orders in Council, or other Laws, Customs, and Authorities, required or permitted to perform certain acts or duties, which acts or duties have since the said Union been performed by persons holding like offices, but in the character of Officers of British Columbia acting in Vancouver Island, and it is expedient to confirm such acts:

I. Every act, matter, or thing bona fide done and performed as aforesaid, before the date of this Ordinance, by any person or persons duly commissioned to that effect shall be deemed to be and to have been valid in law, and the same shall not be questioned in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Civil or Criminal Jurisdiction in this Colony.

II. Any act, deed, matter or thing which before the said Union was required to be done or executed in Vancouver Island, by or before, or by the authority of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Civil Justice of Vancouver Island, shall, since the said Union, be deemed to be and have been required to be done, performed, and executed in any part of British Columbia by, before, or by the authority of a Judge of the Supreme Court of Civil Justice of British Columbia; and any act, deed, matter, or thing heretofore required in Vancouver Island to be done by or before or by the authority of any Officers appointed to or acting in that part of British Columbia called Vancouver Island as Treasurer, Surveyor General, Sheriff, or Stipendiary Magistrate, shall and may for the future be lawfully holding the like Office and appointed to or acting in the Colony of British Columbia.

III. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Officers' Enabling Ordinance, 1897."

[The above bill was read a third time in the Council on Thursday, 7th instant, and passed.]

Bankruptcy Court.  
WEDNESDAY, Feb. 13, 1897.

Re Henry Fry.—The examination was adjourned for a fortnight.

Re James Griffiths.—Passed second examination.

Re Walter, Couves & Crooks.—Application made under an assignment, which was adjourned, in order to complete.

Re Paris Carter.—Accounts of Official Assignee passed.

Re J. J. Macready.—Portion of costs of Assignee ordered to be paid.

Re F. W. Quarles.—Second examination opposed and adjourned.

THE PEOPLE'S FRIEND.  
PERRY DAVIS'  
VEGETABLE PAIN KILLER.

The Greatest Family Medicine of the Age  
Taken internally, it cures sudden colds, coughs, etc., weak stomach, general debility, nursery sore mouth, canker, liver complaint, dyspepsia or indigestion, cramp and pain in the stomach, bowel complaint, painters' colic, Asiatic cholera, diarrhoea, and dysentery.

APPLIED EXTERNALLY, cures fevers, boils and old sores, severe burns and scalds, cuts, bruises and sprains, swollen joints, ringworm and tetter, broken breasts, frayed feet, chilblains, toothache, pain in the face, rheumatism and rheumatism. It is a sure remedy for AGUE AND CHILLS AND FEVER.  
MOORE & CO., Agents.

## Auction Sales.

## J. J. COCHRANE

## Auctioneer &amp; Land Agent,

## SALESROOM—THEATRE BUILDING

## GOVERNMENT STREET.

## LOANS MADE ON REAL ESTATE.

## AUCTION

## Pianos!

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## J. J. COCHRANE

## Is instructed to sell

## AT SALESROOM

## Theatre Building, Government street,

## 7 PIANOFORTES,

## By the most celebrated makers, viz.

## KIRKMAN, COLLARD, HOPKINSON,

## WOOD, STODARD, &amp;c.

## Due notice of time of sale will be given.

## J. P. DAVIES &amp; Co

## AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, Salesroom Fireproof Stone Building, Wharf Street near Yates.

## Cash advances made on Consignments.

## DR. BARNARD,

## DENTIST

## HAS REMOVED HIS OFFICE

## TO Douglas street, first house on the right, south of Fort Street.

## He is conversant with all modern Dental Improvements, and uses none but the best materials in his profession.

## Teeth mounted on Silver, Gold or the Vulcanite Base in the most finished and artistic manner.

## GOLD PLATE of Silver, Gold or Vulcanite neatly, strongly and satisfactorily repaired, whether partially divided or completely broken in two. Chloroform administered and Roots extracted without pain. Advice rendered gratis.

## Office hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## P. M. BACKUS,

## Auctioneer and Commission Merchant,

## Salesroom: No. 6 Commercial Row, Wharf Street

## Sole Agent for the Sale of

## PHELAN'S IMPROVED BILLIARD TABLES

## (59 1m)

## GOLDSTONE BROS.

## IMPORTERS

## AND

## COMMISSION MERCHANTS

## WHARF STREET,

## VICTORIA V. I.

## SANDWICH ISLANDS

## PRODUCE,

## THE CARGO OF THE

## Schr. PREMIER

## Consisting of

## CHOICE QUALITY

## SUGAR, No. 1 and 2;

## KONA COFFEE;

## MOLASSES.

## For sale cheap and on liberal terms.

## J. Robertson Stewart.

## Prize Medal Soap!

## WE HAVE THIS DAY TRANSFERRED THE AGE OF

## Yarley's Soap to Langley &amp; Co.

## J. H. TURNER &amp; CO.

## THESE SUPERIOR SOAPS, WHICH WERE AWARDED

## Prize Medals

## At the World's Fairs of 1851 and 1882, are especially adapted for use of

## FAMILIES, HOTELS

## AND

## STEAMBOATS,

## And are now offered, both wholesale and retail, at the lowest rates, by

## LANGLEY &amp; CO.,

## Chemists and Druggists,

## Yates Street,

## VICTORIA.

## TWENTY PACK, SADDLE

## and Work Horses for Sale Cheap, or exchange for Real Estate.

## Apply to

## J. W. WILLIAMS,

## Livery Stables

## 64 2m

## Auction Sales.

## AUCTION

## Lake View Farm

## By Auction,

## Consisting of

## About 100 acres, more or less,

## Situate on

## SWAN LAKE,

## Within Two and a Half Miles from Town,

## adjoining Dr. Tolmie's Property.

## J. J. COCHRANE

## Is instructed to sell

## AT SALESROOM

## Theatre Building, Government street,

## MR. P. O'DWYER,

## TO SELL,

## AT SALESROOM,

## Wharf Street

## Tuesday, Feb. 19th,

## AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON

## The following

## PROPERTY,

## Namely:

## ALL that piece or portion of land, with the buildings and erections thereon, being portion of Section numbered on the Official Map as Section Thirty-three (33), and Lot Eighty-four (84), situated in the District of Victoria, containing One hundred Acres be the same, more or less.

## This property is partly cleared and has been under cultivation for seven or eight years, has a Dwelling House and Barn, and is partly fenced in with a frontage on Swan Lake.

## TERMS:

## One half cash, the balance in one year, at one per cent. per month.

## N. B.—Parties wishing to purchase the above property at Private Sale any time before the 19th inst., will please apply to P. O. Dwyer, Government street, or to the Auctioneer.

## ACTS OF SALE AT BUYER'S EXPENSE

## By order of the Mortgagee,

## Town Lot, No. 1273, James Bay, together with all the improvements thereon.

## THE GROTO,

## Corner of Government Street and

## Tromaine Alley,

## VICTORIA, V.I., B.C.

## THE UNDERSIGNED BEG TO INFORM

## their friends and the public generally that they have taken the above named premises, and having EXTERMINATED the same,

## WILL OPEN AT SIX O'CLOCK THIS EVENING,

## when everybody is invited to give them a call. They will keep constantly on hand

## THE BEST

## WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS.

## ja15 McDougall &amp; McIniff.

## Washing made Easy!

## THE FAMILY WASHING

## May be speedily accomplished, to the great delight of the household, by using Harper's Toilet Soap.

## A Clergyman's wife says, "one half of Soap" is saved, two-thirds of time, and three-fourths of labor."

## old in Penny Packets by all Storekeepers, or obtainable by Harper Twelvev. es, Bromley Row, London.

## Wholesale Agents for Vancouver Island

## MESSRS JANON, GREEN &amp; RHO

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## NOTICE

## FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE I

## will only accept COUPON FOR RENT, as well as for any other payments to be made to me.

## L. LOWENBERG.

## Victoria, Oct. 1, 1896

## A Card.

## To Mr. WILSON, Champion of Cariboo.

## I WAS VERY MUCH SURPRISED AT NOTICING A Card (in the Colonist, of February 2), from you (the Champion Champion), headed "Challenge Accepted." I deny ever challenging you. On the other hand, I accepted your note last summer, but as every body is aware, you backed out; but as you seem to be very anxious to fight me, I will be most happy to accommodate you, if you will allow me \$200 traveling expenses to Cariboo. If this does not suit you, I will allow you the same sum, to come to Victoria, where you can be sure of a match for \$2,000. I also beg to inform you that I do not put myself up as Champion of Victoria.

## Yours,

## JOHN EDEN.

## 64 1w &amp; w

## Auction Sales.

## AUCTION

## The "Beehive"

## PREMISES,

## FORT STREET,

## And other

## DESIRABLE PROPERTY.

## Messrs Franklin

## Are instructed to sell by

## Public Auction,

## TO-MORROW,

## On Friday, Feb. 15th,

## AT SALESROOM,

## Government street,

## AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.

## The following property, viz:

## Mortgagee's Sale

## The premises situate at the Corner of

## Fort and Broad street, known as the

## BEEHIVE HOTEL,

## together with the valuable Corner

## Lot on which the buildings stand, and now under a lease to the present tenant at a rental of \$75 per month.

## —ALSO—

## Town Lot No. 1941, James Bay.

## Also, Lot 36, North Park street,

## near Quadra street.

## Also, Lot 78, Victoria West.

## Also, Lot 32, Esquimalt Town, adjoining the residence of Mr. Rothwell.

## Also, Lots 53, 54 and 55 Oakland Estate, containing nine acres.

## Terms to be made known on application to Auctioneers.

## ACTS OF SALE AT BUYER'S EXPENSE

## ALSO

## Town Lot, No. 617, on Hera's street, near

## Government street, together with Three Cottages thereon, each containing four hard-finished rooms and washhouse. There is a well of good water on the premises.

## Title deeds may be inspected at the Office of Mr. ALLSOP, Government street.

## American Exchange

## CORNER OF NANNON AND BALLOON STREETS,

## San Francisco, Cal.

## Fireproof—200 Rooms, all hard finished, well ventilated and neatly furnished.

## The most comfortable and homelike Hotel in the State where every want is anticipated and cheerfully supplied.

## PRICES TO SUIT THE MOST ECONOMICAL.

## THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE COACH, with RED LIGHTS, will always be in readiness to convey passengers at the lowest rate of fare.

## TIMOTHY SARGENT, Proprietor.

## MR. FELIX LELAND is announcing the Sale of the

## CALIFORNIA SALOON,

## CORNER OF

## Waddington Alley and Johnson streets,

## TO

## P. MURPHY.

## Solicits a continuance of the patronage so liberally bestowed on himself for his successor, and tenders his thanks for past favors.

## P. MURPHY

## Beg to inform the Public that he intends

## Re-opening the above Saloon,

## WITH A STOCK OF CHICORY

## Wines, Liquors &amp; Cigars.

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